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MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTROL IN AQUEOUS SYSTEMS

Abstract of the Disclosure

Biocidally-active 1,3-dibromo-5,5-dialkylhydantoin biocidal compositions in readily identifiable forms are provided in the form of an article of manufacture comprising a packaging material and a biocidal composition contained within said packaging material, wherein said biocidal composition comprises as the biocidally-active component of the biocidal composition (A) at least one 1,3-dibromo-5,5-dialkylhydantoin in which one of the alkyl groups in the 5-position is a methyl group and the other alkyl group in the 5-position contains in the range of 1 to 4 carbon atoms (DBDAH) as the sole biocidally-active ingredient of the composition, or (B) a combination of (i) DBDAH and (ii) at least one non-fluid biocidally-active water treating agent compatible with DBDAH, wherein the weight ratio of (i) to (ii) is in the range of 0.1:0.4 to 99.9:0.1, preferably in the range of 1:1 to 99.9:0.1, more preferably in the range of 9:1 to 99.9:0.1, and most preferably in the range of 19:1 to 99.9:0.1. Each such category of biocidally-active component or components can be, and preferably is in admixture with from 0 to 90 wt% of biocidally-inactive components such as for example one or more binders, fillers, excipients, dyes or colorants, perfumes, stabilizers, and/or manufacturing by-products. The packaging material comprises at least a label suitably identifying the name of the product in the package, and at least a sticker identifying the contents as being an oxidizing agent. The label or another label associated with the packaging material preferably contains other specified information.